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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner Hand:

The Applicant submits the following remarks, along with a Request for Continued Examination and an Information Disclosure Statement, in response to the final Office Action dated August 9, 2007.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.